

disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, it is the Examiner's position that none of the claims are held to be generic.

Applicant has been advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of species that is elected consonant with this requirement and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. It is noted that the Examiner has stated that upon the allowance of a generic claim, the applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims through additional species which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.141.

APPLICANT'S ELECTION

Applicant hereby elects Species 1 as depicted in Fig. 2B. Applicant asserts that claims 1 through 15 and 18 are readable on Species 1 as depicted in Fig. 2B.

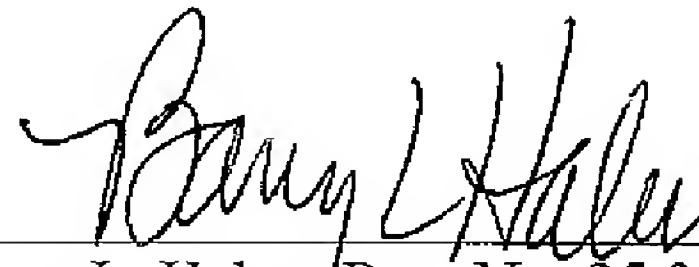
Applicant asserts that claims 16, 17, 19 and 20 read on the non-elected Species 2 (as depicted in Fig. 6).

In summary, applicant elects claims 1 through 15 and 18, Species 1, as depicted in Fig. 2B, without traverse.

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